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SUBJECT: EXIM BANK CORRESPONDENCE

1. THE EXPORT IMPORT BANK HAS PROVIDED DEPARTMENT COPIES OF TWO MESSAGES SENT TO FOREIGN TRADE MINISTER PATOLICHEV THROUGH INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES. TO DATE NO ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OR REPLY HAS BEEN RECEIVED. WE WOULD APPRECIATE THE EMBASSY'S ATTEMPTING TO CONFIRM RECEIPT OF THE MESSAGES, THE TEXTS OF WHICH ARE QUOTED BELOW, AND, IF POSSIBLE, OBTAINING SOME INDICATION OF WHEN A REPLY COULD BE EXPECTED.

2. LETTER DATED JUNE 12, 1973: QUOTE DEAR MR. MINISTER: WE ARE VERY PLEASED WITH THE RECENT DISCUSSIONS WITH YOUR COLLEAGUES, AND WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO FURTHER CONSULTATION AS THE TRADE BETWEEN OUR COUNTRIES INCREASES. TO PRE-

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PARE FOR ANY FUTURE CONSIDERATION OF PROJECTS IN WHICH WE

MIGHT BE REQUESTED TO PARTICIPATE, WE WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING AT YOUR EARLIEST CONVENIENCE ALL AVAILABLE PUBLISHED DATA RELATIVE TO YOUR COUNTRY'S EXTERNAL TRADE AND FINANCE. IT WOULD ALSO BE MOST USEFUL IF SUCH DATA CAN BE FORWARDED TO EXIMBANK REGULARLY AS IT IS AVAILABLE. MY VERY BEST WISHES. SINCERELY, SIGNED HENRY KEARNS. UNQUOTE.

3. TEXT OF TELEGRAM DATED JULY 26, 1973: QUOTE IN A LETTER DATED JUNE 12, 1973, I INFORMED YOU THAT QUOTE TO PREPARE FOR ANY FUTURE CONSIDERATION OF PROJECTS IN WHICH WE MIGHT BE REQUESTED TO PARTICIPATE, WE WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING AT YOUR EARLIEST CONVENIENCE ALL AVAILABLE PUBLISHED DATA RELATIVE TO YOUR COUNTRY'S EXTERNAL TRADE AND FINANCE. IT WOULD ALSO BE MOST USEFUL IF SUCH DATA CAN BE FORWARDED TO EXIMBANK REGULARLY AS IT IS AVAILABLE. UNQUOTE. WE HAVE NOW RECEIVED FROM THE VNESHTORGBANK OF THE USSR REQUESTS FOR TWO PRELIMINARY COMMITMENTS; ONE INVOLVING A TRANSFER LINE FOR A PISTON PLANT AND THE OTHER INVOLVING GOODS AND SERVICES FOR AN IRON ORE PELLET PLANT. WHILE IT IS OUR DESIRE TO RESPOND QUICKLY AND AFFIRMATIVELY TO THESE REQUESTS, EXIMBANK'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS BELIEVES IT NECESSARY THAT WE RECEIVE A FAVORABLE RESPONSE TO MY JUNE 12 REQUEST BEFORE ACTING ON THESE APPLICATIONS. WE THEREFORE AWAIT THE FAVOR OF YOUR RESPONSE TO THAT LETTER. SIGNED HENRY KEARNS EXIMBANK. UNQUOTE.
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